

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-12 are amended. Support for the amendments is provided in the specification at least on page 8, lines 1-10; page 10, lines 11-18; from page 26, line 27 - page 28, line 14; and in Figs. 2, 3 and 15. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner LaRose in the November 16, 2007 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks. Specifically, claims 1-12 are amended to comply with the Examiner's helpful suggestions made during the interview.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-12 would be allowable if the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is overcome. Because the rejection is overcome for the reasons described below, claims 1-12 should be in condition for allowance.

The Office Action objects to the specification. The specification is amended to obviate the objection. Support for the amendments to the specification is provided at least in Fig. 15 and in the claims. Thus, the objection should be withdrawn.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 1-12 are amended to obviate the rejection. Thus, the rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-12 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Attachments:

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**Segmentation Method and System for
Multiple Raster Content (MRC) Representation of Documents**

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